

ELGIN F. POLO, CPA/ABV CVA CURRICULUM VITAE

PROFESSIONAL STATUS

Florida Certified Public Accountant (C.P.A.) (2001) Certified Valuation Analyst (C.V.A.) (2005) Accredited in Business Valuation (A.B.V.) (2006)

EDUCATION

Binghamton University – Vestal, New York Bachelor of Science in Accounting (1995)

University of Miami – Coral Gables, Florida Master of Business Administration, Specialization in Taxation with Academic Merit (2002)



EXPERT WITNESS EXPERIENCE

Qualified as an Expert in United States District and Florida Circuit Courts, including the counties of Broward, Charlotte, Collier, Lee, Miami-Dade, Monroe and Palm Beach.

FORENSIC ACCOUNTING AND FRAUD EXAMINATION EXPERIENCE

I have been involved in many cases requiring forensic accounting services and the valuation of a business or business damages, commercial litigation, matrimonial litigation, probate & guardianship litigation, settlement negotiations, tax planning, purchase or sale of businesses, and partners and shareholder disputes.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Davidoff of Geneva, Inc.

Accounts receivable specialist (5/1995 - 8/1997)

Kirshenbaum Urban & Tan LLP f/k/a Kenneth Kirshenbaum and Company Staff Accountant (8/1997 – 8/1999)

Freeman, Buczyner & Gero Staff Accountant (8/1999 – 11/1999)

Vizcaino Zomerfeld, LLP f/k/a Ocariz, Gitlin & Zomerfeld, LLP Staff Accountant (11/1999 – 5/2000)

Kane, Hoffman & Danner, P.A. Senior Accountant (5/2000 – 12/2001) Tax Supervisor (1/2002 – 8/2002)

Berenfeld, Spritzer, Shechter & Sheer, LLP Litigation Case Manager (8/2002-2/2006) Litigation Support and Business Valuation Partner (3/2006 – 7/2009)

Elgin F. Polo, CPA, PA President (2/2006 – Present)

Morrison, Brown Argiz & Farra, LLC Litigation and Business Valuation Partner (7/2009 – 12/2011)

Kabat, Schertzer, De La Torre, Taraboulos & Co., LLC Partner (12/2011 – present)

WORK EXPERIENCE (Adjunct Professor)

Florida International University - School of Accounting Adjunct Professor (6/2009 – 2019)

Keiser University – School of Accounting Adjunct Professor (2/2013)

LECTURES, SEMINARS AND SPEAKING ENGAGMENTS

I serve as a frequent lecturer at various institutions and universities. I am currently scheduled as an adjunct professor teaching the topic of forensic accounting and fraud examination at Florida International University.

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Florida International University – Miami, FL
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School of Accounting - Adjunct Professor

Accounting for Decisions

Section: ACG 2021-U01B (60939) (Jun. 24 – Aug 8, 2009)

ACG 2021-U03 (96898) (Aug. 24 – Dec. 5, 2009)

ACG 2021-U01B (53613) (Jun 23. – Aug. 7, 2010)

ACG 2021-U02A (56080) (May 9 – Jun. 23, 2011)

ACG 2021-U02A (91620) (Aug 28 – Dec. 13, 2014)

Special Topics in Accounting "Forensic Accounting"

Section: ACG 6935-RXNC (52012) (May 5 – Jun. 23, 2012)

ACG 6935-RX3A (51914) (Apr. 30 – Jun. 20, 2013)

ACG 6935-RX4B (51915) (Jun. 25 – Aug 13, 2013)

ACG 6935-RX3 (89680) (Aug. 19 – Oct. 14, 2013)

ACG 6935-RX4 (89681) (Aug. 21 – Oct. 9, 2013)

Fraud Examination

Section: ACG 6686 (May 2 – Jun. 20, 2013)

ACG 6686 (Apr 30 – Jun. 17, 2014)

ACG 6686 (Aug 19 – Oct. 7, 2014)

ACG 6686 (Apr. 28 – Jun. 16, 2015)

ACG 6686 (Aug. 18 – Oct. 6, 2015)

ACG 6686 (Apr. 26 – Jun. 13, 2016)

ACG 6686 (Aug. 18 – Oct. 6, 2016)

ACG 6686 (May 2 – Jun 20, 2017)

ACG 6686 (Aug 24 – Oct 12, 2017)

ACG 6686 (May 1 – Jun 19, 2018)

ACG 6686 (Aug 21 – Oct 9, 2018)

University of Miami – Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Studies

Seafood Marketing (MAF 520) – Guest lecturer in Accounting

Spring 2016 (March 15, 2016)

Spring 2017 (April 25, 2017)

Spring 2018 (April 19, 2018)

Keiser University – Ft. Lauderdale, FL School

of Accounting – Lecturer

Income Tax Accounting

(ACG 4001) (Feb. 2013)

Lorman Education Services

Divorce: Accounting and Tax issues (4/27/2006, 4/27/2007, 4/24/2008)

Divorce Taxation--Practical Issues (9/21/2011, 3/7/2012, 1/9/2013, 2/10/2014, 12/10/2014, 11/23/2015)

When Division is a Must: Practical Strategies in Challenging Family Law Cases (11/3/2016)

Valuation for Gift and Estate Tax Purposes: The Intersection of Asset Appraisals and Entity Valuations (11/22/2019)

Strafford Publications, Inc.

Divorce and Tax Issues: Evaluating Key Opportunities and Risks (1/16/2013)

Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants

Fraud Examination Update (4/19/2017)

What every accountant needs to know about collaborative family law (2/19/2014)

Critical Topics in Taxation for Family Law (10/19/2011)

Current Issues in Business Valuation (10/20/2010)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Listed as a "Top CPAs in Litigation Support" by the South Florida Legal Guide

Partner in charge of Top 25 Litigation Support Accounting Firms in South Florida

American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA)

Florida Institute of Certified Public Accountants (FICPA)

FICPA Board of Governors, Member at Large (7/2011 - 6/2013)

FICPA Miami-Downtown, Board Member

President, President-elect, Treasurer (7/07 - 6/11; 7/17 - 6/18)

FICPA Valuation, Forensic Accounting & Litigation Services Conference

Planning Committee (2012 – present)

FICPA Business Valuation and Forensic & Litigation Services Section Member

Estate Planning Council of Greater Miami

Board Member (2015 – 2016)

National Association Certified Valuation Analysts (NACVA)

Florida Bar – Family Law Section

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

Business Networking International (BNI)

Secretary / Treasurer (4/2008 - 4/2012, 10/2015 - present)

Collaborative Family Law Institute (CFLI) Member – CPA Financial Advisor

South Pod Chair (9/2014 – 8/2015; 10/2019 - current)

St. John Neumann Catholic Church - Parishioner